

COUNTRY Eastern Germany

REPORT NO.

TOPIC Volkspolizei in the Prenzlau-Pinnow-Torgelow Area

25X1 EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1

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DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]

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REFERENCES [REDACTED]

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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- 25X1 1. In early August 1952, [REDACTED] from a VP Kommissar in Prenzlau that a VP corps or army was scheduled to be activated in the Prenzlau-Pinnow-Torgelow area. Other VP corps are scheduled to be activated subsequently. About 18,000 VP personnel of various branches of service are reportedly stationed in the Torgelow area. They are quartered in tents, barns and newly constructed low wooden buildings in wooded areas. Eight localities in the vicinity of Torgelow are to be evacuated, either for the quartering of VP units or the establishment of a target range. *
- 25X1 2. [REDACTED] all the tanks and SF guns stationed at Prenzlau airfield were loaded on trains and shipped to the Torgelow area during the period from 28 to 31 July. During the same period, the VP units previously stationed at the airfield were marched at night to the Torgelow area. Only a VP headquarters, which is quartered at the air force barracks installation, is allegedly stationed in Prenzlau at present. **
- 25X1 3. On 1 August, [REDACTED] Volkspolizei field bakery consisting of 1 large tent with baker's ovens and 10 smaller tents occupied by about 25 men each at Prenzlau airfield. The field bakery was being tested during the reported period and was not in full operation. ***
- 25X1 * [REDACTED] Comment. The statements on the formation of a VP army or corps confirm previous information according to which an army or corps headquarters was observed with the Volkspolizei Dienststelle (VPD) in Eggesin in July. The VPDs at Eggesin, Prenzlau, Prora and Fuenfeichen were to be assigned to this headquarters. The personal shipments observed in the last month and the renewed arms deliveries support the assumption that the units stationed in the Prenzlau-Eggesin area are to be amalgamated into a corps or army and brought to the authorized TO and E strength.
- 25X1 ** [REDACTED] Comment. It is believed that the units reported moved only temporarily because the barracks installations in Prenzlau are to be enlarged.
- 25X1 *** [REDACTED] Comment. The military Volkspolizei is not equipped with field supply installations to date.

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